



Brownfields 2008 Grant Fact Sheet

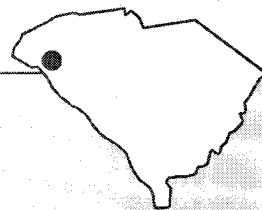
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and Environmental
Control, Anderson, SC*

EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. On January 11, 2002, President George W. Bush signed into law the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act. Under this law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Community Description

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control was selected to receive a brownfields assessment grant. Located in Anderson County in northwest South Carolina, the City of Anderson (population 25,514) grew around the 12 textile mills that formerly operated in or near the city. In the mills' heyday, it was not unusual for 10 to 15 petroleum sites, such as service stations and bulk fuel



Assessment Grant

New
2008

\$200,000 for petroleum

EPA has selected the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control for a brownfields assessment grant. Petroleum grant funds will be used to conduct about 12 Phase I and six to 12 Phase II environmental site assessments in the City of Anderson. Grant funds also will be used to support community outreach activities.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields web site at: www.epa.gov/brownfields.

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storage facilities, to be located within a few blocks of each mill. Beginning in the 1970s, the closure of the textile mills took away the economic engine from each community and resulted in shuttered stores and homes, deteriorating buildings, and high unemployment rates. Brownfields assessment is expected to help the state facilitate site cleanup activities and make brownfields marketable in Anderson.

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